

Amendment to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 3 on the first page of the specification as follows.

--It is assumed that first and second upper devices (e. g. LSIs) are connected with each other via a communication cable in above-mentioned communication system. Each of the first and second upper devices needs a set of an Large Scale Integrator (LSI) for physical layer and a transceiver as serial interface. Namely, the first upper device is connected with first physical layer LSI via first transceiver and the second upper device is connected with second physical layer LSI via second transceiver. The first and second transceivers are connected with each other via the communication cable. The first and second physical layer LSIs operate as serial interfaces.--